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(I am doing this from the hotel computer so that you can check media reports if you are interested in following up right away.)

More than 50 residents showed up for the Allied Paper meeting Wednesday evening including at least 1 radio reporter. I don't know which station because she never identified herself and left before I found out.

It was a long evening with some hanging around to nearly 9 p.m. to ask questions after the meeting.

The presentations went well and there was an unusual "question-answer" session. There were almost as many comments as questions which started with one of the "regular" attendees, Klaus Globonic [sp?] repeating his contention from many years ago that there is no real danger from PCBs.

Dayle Harrison, also a regular, stood to demand again that EPA be more aggressive about working further downstream. Harrison long has been frustrated with EPA's upstream to down approach on the cleanup.

Several residents who live near the Allied landfill have formed an ad hoc group advocating the removal. They were wearing T-shirts with the symbol of a circle with a slanted slash through PCB. They naturally questioned why EPA was leaving the landfill in place when they want it removed. Some still are under the misunderstanding that the landfill is leaching water into their drinking water aquifer, which Michael Berkoff addressed.

The questions and comments were earnest but never angry or aggressive. The audience applauded the presenters at the end.